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1. EMBASSY DISAPPOINTED THAT IZMIR INTERNATIONAL FAIR NOT RPT NOT INCLUDED IN COMMERCIAL FAIR PROGRAM FY76. HOWEVER, WE STILL PLAN TO GIVE ALL APPROPRIATE SUPPORT TO TURKISH AGENTS WHO WILLING TO FINANCE AMERICAN PAVILLION IN THIS YEAR'S IZMIR FAIR.

2. IN MAKING THIS DECISION WE ARE ASSUMING THAT USDOC WILL GIVE BACKSTOPPING SUPPORT INCLUDING ASSIGNING TECHNICAL EXHIBITS DIRECTOR TO IZMIR ABOUT FIVE WEEKS BEFORE FAIR OPENING DATE OF AUGUST 20.

3. USDOC CONFIRMATION OF ITS READINESS TO GIVE THIS SUPPORT WOULD BE APPRECIATED.

4. FYI - ON FEBRUARY 19 WE PRESENTED LETTER TO MINISTRY OF COMMERCE STATING OUR INTENTION TO PARTICIPATE IN SAME MANNER AS PREVIOUS SEVERAL YEARS. THIS VERBALLY EXPLAINED TO MINISTRY OFFICIALS AS MEANING THAT U.S. GOVERNMENT NOT OFFICIALLY IN FAIR
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BUT RENDERING SUPPORTING ASSISTANCE TO EXHIBITORS. WE HAVE

EACH YEAR SINCE 1972 DESCRIBED OUR PARTICIPATION THIS MANNER
WHICH MINISTRY OFFICIALS HAVE ACCEPTED.

5. EMBASSY WILL KEEP UNDER CAREFUL REVIEW DEVELOPMENTS IN
US-TURKISH RELATIONS AS CONSEQUENCE OF CONGRESSIONAL ACTION
CUTTING OF MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO TURKEY. IF IT APPEARS TO US
THAT THESE DEVELOPMENTS COULD ADVERSELY AFFECT U.S. PARTICIPTION
IN 1975 IZMIR FAIR, EMBASSY WILL BE PREPARED TO WITHDRAW FROM
DECISION TO PARTICIPATE. COMATT HAS MADE SURE THAT MINISTRY
OF COMMERCE OFFICIALS UNDERSTAND THAT DECISION TO PARTICIPATE
MIGHT BE REVERSED IF THERE SHOULD BE SUBSEQUENT ADVERSE DEVELOP-
MENTS OVER WHICH WE HAVE NO CONTROL AND WHICH WE HOPE WILL NOT
HAPPEN. MINISTRY OFFICIAL SAID HE UNDERSTOOD SITUATION
AND HOPED NOTHING WOULD PREVENT US PARTICIPATION. END FYI.
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